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Applicant(s): Mitsutoshi Shinkai et al.

Invention: PLAYBACK APPARATUS, PLAYBACK METHOD, AND PROGRAM FOR THE SAME

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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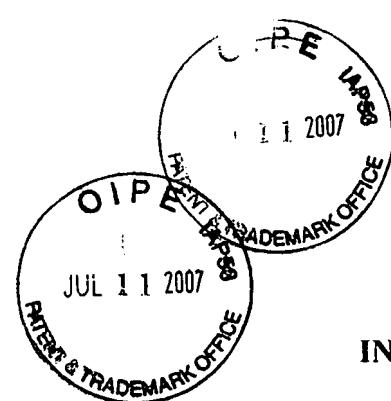
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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.